# PRIVATE SECURITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD Legislative Committee

November 6, 2002

A meeting of the Private Security Services Advisory Board (PSSAB) legislative committee was held on November 6, 2002 at 1532 Insurance Lane, Charlottesville, VA. The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Committee Chairman, Deborah Aylward. Mary Kay Wakefield was appointed Secretary. The following committee members were in attendance:

Deborah Aylward Mary Kay Wakefield Sean Creamer George Haudricourt Bill Robbins

The following committee members were absent:

Emil Wengel Martha Clancy John Kochensparger John Rennish Harris Kern

The following interested parties were in attendance:

Leon Baker

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**1. DEFINITION OF COMPLIANCE AGENT:** The committee discussed amending the definition of Compliance Agent as proposed by DCJS and the Private Investigators Association of Virginia respectively.

(Revised and submitted for consideration on 10/04/02 by PIAVA)

#### PROPOSED BY DCJS

§ 9.1-139. Licensing, certification, and registration required; qualifications; temporary licenses.

No person shall engage in the private security services business or solicit private security business in the Commonwealth without having obtained a license from the Department. No person shall be issued a private security services business license until a compliance

agent is designated in writing on forms provided by the Department. The compliance agent shall ensure the compliance of the private security services business with this article and shall meet the qualifications and perform the duties required by the regulations adopted by the Board.

A compliance agent shall have either a minimum of (i) three years of managerial or supervisory experience in a private security services business; with a federal, state or local law-enforcement agency; or in a related field or (ii) five years of experience in a private security services business; with a federal, state or local law-enforcement agency; or in a related field-military experience.

### Which reads:

A compliance agent shall have either a minimum of (i) three years of managerial experience or (ii) five years of experience in a private security services business; with a federal, state or local law-enforcement agency; or military experience.

## PROPOSED BY PIAVA

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A compliance agent shall have either a minimum of (i) three years of managerial experience in a private security services business with a federal, state, local or military law-enforcement agency or (ii) three years of general managerial experience. General managerial experience shall not qualify for purposes of acquiring a Private Security Services Business license.

A motion to refer this matter to the Definition Review Sub-Committee for further study was made by Deborah Aylward and was unanimously passed.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. **PHOTO IDENTIFICATION CARDS**: The Professional Investigators and Security Association of Virginia submitted a written request to seek a bill mandating DMV to issue photo ID cards to private security services personnel.

Submitted by PISA for consideration on 11/05/02: The first bill would mandate DMV provide photo identification cards to Private Security Services personnel. PSS personnel would pay DCJS the fee to cover such ID with registration (+/or certification) initial and renewal applications - the photo ID fee to be included in the registration/certification application fees. As now, DMV would bill DCJS which would then pay those bills from funds collected for that purpose. Thus, DMV would not have to collect fees - the current system would remain in place. [This procedure would obviate the need for DCJS to undertake the burden of establishing procedures, purchasing equipment, etc. - as well as having to address the monumental issues of convenience, timeliness, and accessibility.] This legislation would protect DCJS and DMV, as well as provide practitioners with the identification we need.

A motion was made by Bill Robbins to seek a bill that would mandate DMV to provide photo ID cards to private security service personnel. The motion was unanimously opposed.

## 2. COMPLIANCE AGENT ELECTRONIC ACCESS TO DMV RECORDS:

The Professional Investigators Association of Virginia submitted a written request for a bill that would mandate Compliance Agents' electronic access to DMV motor vehicle records through VIPnet

Submitted by PISA for consideration on 11/05/02: The second also has to do with DMV - a bill to seek electronic access to DMV records by Compliance Agents. The system of establishing an account and determining permissible use would remain - only the delivery mechanism would change. The recent notification letter sent to account holders does not address electronic access.

A motion was made by Deborah Aylward to seek a bill mandating DMV to provide Compliance Agents with electronic access to agency held records. The motion was unanimously opposed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.